

In the Iowa Supreme Court

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In the Matter of Resuming)	
Family Law Trials Postponed by)	Order
COVID-19)	


On July 9, 2020, the supreme court filed an order pertaining to the resumption of family law trials postponed by COVID-19.¹ Section III of the July 9 order directed judicial districts to “establish or continue procedures for mandatory mediation or mandatory judicial settlement conferences in all family law cases where at least one party is represented by an attorney.” The deadline to submit plans was December 1, 2020. The court has reviewed the plans submitted by each district and approves all submitted plans. Each district’s plan can be viewed on the Iowa Judicial Branch website, <https://www.iowacourts.gov/iowa-courts/district-court/>. To find a district’s plan, click the district’s name in the left-hand column and choose “Family Law Mediation.”

Pursuant to the July 9 order, all “[d]istrict plans shall be implemented on or by March 1, 2021 absent good cause.”

Filed in conjunction with this order is an order further amending the court’s July 9 order.²

Dated this 12th day of February, 2021.

The Iowa Supreme Court

By: 

 Susan Larson Christensen, Chief Justice

¹<https://www.iowacourts.gov/collections/523/files/1141/embedDocument/>

²<https://www.iowacourts.gov/collections/599/files/1292/embedDocument/>

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